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Subject: Re: Request for final decision for manuscript number 2013/AJEA/3649

Please find below my answer to the authors.

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Attached Part:

after having read the revised version of the manuscript I am sorry to have to insist on my original opinion for the manuscript not to be accepted for publication, at least in this form. I was trying to find a way to help you on your effort to publish your results and the only thing I could thought is the following:

- Change the title and perspective - theme of the article. Make it something like that "Effect of type and method of fertilization on marrows yield and fruit quality"
- Do not mention anywhere in the title that you measured Mn
- In the abstract give attention to the effect of different fertilization (type and kind as you say) on the yield and fruit quality
- State in the abstract that you measured Mn with two different methods, but do not make it the main theme of the article
- Change introduction accordingly, in order to support the new focus of the manuscript
- Change the results section on showing primarily the effect of different fertilizers and type of fertilization on yield and fruit quality
- State clearly that the fertilizers used were significantly different in nutrient content (possibly make an advantage of this, by making some-few assumptions on what was the main factor of each fertilizer that induced significant changes in yield or fruit quality).
- Do not show any correlation between Mn and NO₃, carbohydrates or yield, since Mn was not the only nutrient which was in different concentration in the fertilizers used. Any effect on yield or fruit quality should be ascribed to the entire composition of each individual fertilizer and to the type of fertilization within the same fertilizer.
- Discuss your results on the basis of the effects of the different fertilizers and type of fertilization, pointing out that the fertilizers were used at their registered dose rate, so

this could have a practical use.

I really hope you will be willing on making all these changes to improve the quality of your manuscript and resubmit it to our journal.